#### **MINUTES**

# South Carolina Board of Environmental Certification Board Meeting 10:00 a.m. September 9, 2008 Synergy Business Park 110 Centerview, Kingstree Building, Room 108 Columbia, South Carolina

# **Meeting Called to Order**

Chairman, Mike Bailes, called the meeting to order at 10:06 a.m. Other members present for the meeting included Vice-Chair, William Armes, David Baize, Mitch Dew, Dwight Johnson, Jimmy Rodgers, Hank Rutland, and Elizabeth Williams. Absent was Drennan Park.

Staff members participating in the meeting included: Dona Ferguson, Administrator; Theresa Garner, Program Assistant; Sheridon Spoon, Legal Counsel.

Mike Bailes noted for the record that public notice of this meeting was properly posted at the S. C. Board of Environmental Certification office, Synergy Business Park, Kingstree Building and provided to all requesting persons, organizations, and news media in compliance with Section 30-4-80 of the South Carolina Freedom of Information Act.

Section 40-23-40

The purpose of this board is to protect the general public through the regulation of persons engaged in occupations appointed by the legislature for regulation by the board. These occupations are referred to in the chapter collectively as Environmental Systems Operators.

# Approval of the July 8, 2008 Meeting Minutes

<u>Motion:</u> Dwight Johnson made a motion, seconded by William Armes and unanimously carried, that the Board approve the minutes.

# Office of Investigative Enforcement (OIE) Report

Dona Ferguson, Administrator, presented the (OIE) Report.

#### Chairman's Remarks

Chairman, Mike Bailes, stated the November 4<sup>th</sup> board meeting will be cancelled since it falls on Election Day. The next scheduled meeting of the board will be held on January 13, 2009, in room 111.

Elizabeth Williams informed the board that her Operator Retention/Recruitment Committee had not met.

William Armes said he would contact Sue Schneider regarding the status of the Operator Development Committee.

Hank Rutland stated his committees had not met since the July 8<sup>th</sup> board meeting.

# **Administrator's Remarks**

Dona Ferguson, Administrator, informed the board that the Notice of Drafting regarding Bill H3543, has been sent to the Legislature and will be listed in the state registry.

#### **New Business**

Approval of IRC Members Update on Operator Certificate Program at Environmental Training Center

The board members forwarded a list of names to be added to the current IRC list.

	Water Treatment Operators	
A	Bruce Ellis	В
A	Patrick Jackson	A
A	Phillip Miller	$\mathbf{A}$
A	Charles D. Tuck	A
$\mathbf{A}$		
	Biological Wastewater	
A	Randy Boyette	A
A	Sheila Earley	A
A	Joel Jones	A
A	Joey Rivers	$\mathbf{A}$
	Keith Smart	A
	Fred Taylor	A
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# **Physical/Chemical Wastewater**

Robert Edwards A
Jay Hayes A
Timothy Nelson A
Barry Stone A

<u>Motion:</u> Mitch Dew made a motion, seconded by Dwight Johnson and unanimously carried, that the board approve the additions and deletions of names on the IRC List.

Elizabeth Williams reported on the Operator Certificate Program at the Environmental Training Center. She stated at the end of the summer semester they had three (3) people to complete the course, 2 water treatment operators, and 1 wastewater operator. Currently there are (25) people registered for the fall semester, and (7) of the 25 will graduate at the end of the semester. Elizabeth asked the board for a clarification of the (1) year experience credit. For example, if an individual holds a biological and physical/chemical wastewater license and they complete the wastewater certificate program, will the (1) year experience count for both licenses, and will the same rule apply if an individual holds a water distribution and water treatment license and they complete the water certificate program?

<u>Motion:</u> William Armes made a motion, seconded by Hank Rutland and unanimously carried, that the water and wastewater certificate program at Central Carolina be counted; once the course has been completed to the expectations of the school, and in addition that the (1) year of experience be counted for water, wastewater, physical/chemical, and water distribution.

# **Public Comments**

There were no public comments made during this meeting.

#### Adjournment

<u>Motion:</u> Hank Rutland made a motion, seconded by Dwight Johnson and unanimously carried, to adjourn the meeting at 10:35 a.m.

#### **AGENDA**

# South Carolina Environmental Certification Board Board Meeting

10:00 a.m. September 9, 2008 Synergy Business Park Kingstree Building – 110 Centerview Drive

Conference Room 108
Columbia, South Carolina

- **Meeting Called to Order** Public notice of this meeting was properly posted at the South Carolina Environmental Certification Board, Synergy Business Park, Kingstree Building and provided to all requesting persons, organizations, and news media in compliance with Section 30-4-80 of the South Carolina Freedom of Information Act.
- II Approval of the July 8, 2008 Meeting Minutes
- III Office of Investigative Enforcement (OIE) Report
  - A. Complaints
  - B. Investigative Activity
- IV Chairman's Remarks
  - A. Committee Updates
- V Administrator's Remarks
- VI New Business
  - A. Approval of IRC Members
  - B. Update on Operator Certificate Program at Environmental Training Center
- VII Public Comments

(No Votes Taken)

# VIII Adjournment

The next meeting of the South Carolina Environmental Certification Board is scheduled for Tuesday, November 4, 2008, in Room 111.